

407-431 West Lexington Street (Lexington
Market Addition)
409 West Lexington Street (Commercial Building)
Baltimore (Independent City)
Maryland

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ARCHITECTURAL DATA FORM

STATE Maryland	COUNTY	TOWN OR VICINITY Baltimore (Independent City)
HISTORIC NAME OF STRUCTURE (INCLUDE SOURCE FOR NAME) 407-431 West Lexington Street		HABS NO. MD-916-B
SECONDARY OR COMMON NAMES OF STRUCTURE Lexington Market Addition 409 West Lexington Street (Commercial Building)		
COMPLETE ADDRESS (DESCRIBE LOCATION FOR RURAL SITES) 409 West Lexington Street		
DATE OF CONSTRUCTION (INCLUDE SOURCE) circa 1855	ARCHITECT(S) (INCLUDE SOURCE) Unknown, probably none	
SIGNIFICANCE (ARCHITECTURAL AND HISTORICAL, INCLUDE ORIGINAL USE OF STRUCTURE) Was a good example of mid-nineteenth century townhouse and played an important role in the block frontage that faced Lexington Market. Architectural significance has been diminished by alteration to facade. Probably had retail use at ground floor, residence above.		
STYLE (IF APPROPRIATE) Federal-Greek Revival townhouse (altered)		
MATERIAL OF CONSTRUCTION (INCLUDE STRUCTURAL SYSTEMS) Brick (5:1 common bond), slate roof, timber floor and roof system		
SHAPE AND DIMENSIONS OF STRUCTURE (SKETCHED FLOOR PLANS ON SEPARATE PAGES ARE ACCEPTABLE) Rectangular, 16' x 66' with later rear additions; roof ridge of gable parallel to street		
EXTERIOR FEATURES OF NOTE Dentiled cornice partially hidden by later facade; gabled roof dormers, front and rear; remainder of front facade hidden by later alteration		
INTERIOR FEATURES OF NOTE (DESCRIBE FLOOR PLANS, IF NOT SKETCHED) Interior gutted for retail use at first floor; minor two panel doors in second level, and period trim		
MAJOR ALTERATIONS AND ADDITIONS WITH DATES Rear addition, circa 1900 (map research); second rear addition, circa 1920 (map research); aluminum front facade circa 1960s		
PRESENT CONDITION AND USE Fair condition; last use retail, now vacant		
OTHER INFORMATION AS APPROPRIATE		
SOURCES OF INFORMATION (INCLUDING LISTING ON NATIONAL REGISTER, STATE REGISTERS, ETC.) 1980 Survey of the Baltimore Central Business District		
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